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US DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371

International Application No.
PCT/JP2004/016210

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U.S.ABPLICATION NO.
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**Title of Invention** 

OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDING/REPRODUCING METHOD, AND RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS

Applicant(s) For DO/EO/US Keiji NISHIKIORI et al.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- 1. [X] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
- 2. [] This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. §371.
- 3. [X] This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. §371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. §371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
- 4. [] A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- 5. [X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2))
  - a. [] is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. [X] has been transmitted by the International Bureau as indicated on the attached Form PCT/IB/308. ATTACHMENT A
  - c. [] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
- 6. [X] A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(2)). ATTACHMENT B
- 7. [] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(3)).
  - a. [] are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. [] have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. [] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. [] have not been made and will not be made.
- 8. [] A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19.
- 9. [X] An unexecuted oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(4)) along with Cover Letter for Application

Filed Without Executed Declaration. ATTACHMENT C

10. [] A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. §371(c)(5)).

## Items 11. to 14. below concern other document(s) or information included:

- 11. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. ATTACHMENT D
- 12. [] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. [X] A FIRST preliminary amendment. ATTACHMENT E
  - [] A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
- 14. [X] Other items or information: a. Form PCT/IB/304. ATTACHMENT F

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15. [X] The following fees are submitted				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than [] 20 [] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate		
Total Claims	17 -20 =	0	X \$50.00	\$	
Independent Claims	4 - 3 =	1	X \$200.00	\$ 200.00	
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) + \$360.00				\$	
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[] Small Entity Status is hereby asserted. Above fees are reduced by 1/2.				\$	
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## COVER LETTER FOR APPLICATION FILED WITHOUT EXECUTED DECLARATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

The above-identified application has been submitted without an executed oath or declaration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.41(c).

It is respectfully requested that this application be assigned a serial number and awarded a filing date pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53.

A duly executed oath or declaration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63 will be submitted after notification by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to 37 CFR 1.52(d).

A non-executed copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney, containing the inventorship information, is attached. It is respectfully requested that all communications be directed to the firm indicated on the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney, namely:

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The required U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Filing Fee is submitted herewith.

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